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REPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR
REFUGEES, QUESTIONS RELATING TO REFUGEES, RETURNEES
AND DISPLACED PERSONS AND HUMANITARIAN QUESTIONS

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia,
Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation and
Tajikistan: draft resolution

Convening of a United Nations conference for the
comprehensive consideration and review of the
problems of refugees, returnees, displaced
persons and migrants

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 48/113 of 20 December 1993,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General 1/

Recognizing the complexity and urgency of the global refugee crisis,

Recognizing also that the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees plays an important and useful role in developing regional approaches which, taking into account the specific situation in the regions, contribute to the solution of the global refugee crises,

Expressing its concern about the magnitude of existing and potential refugee and related migratory movements in the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Baltic States,

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Welcoming the outcome of the International Conference on Population and Development, held at Cairo from 5 to 13 September 1994,

Reaffirming the need for the international community to adopt comprehensive approaches for the coordination of action with regard to refugees, returnees, displaced persons and migrants,

Recognizing the need to develop innovative strategies, mechanisms and decisions in this field,

1. Requests the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, in consultation with concerned States and in coordination with relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, to continue to promote comprehensive regional approaches to the problems of refugees and displaced persons;
2. Encourages the High Commissioner, in cooperation with interested States and concerned intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, to convene in 1995 a regional conference to address the problems of refugees, displaced persons and forced migrants in the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Baltic States;
3. Calls upon States and concerned intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to provide all the necessary support and resources needed by the High Commissioner for the preparation and holding of the Conference;
4. Invites all Member States, the specialized agencies, other international organizations, relevant United Nations bodies, regional organizations, and non-governmental organizations concerned to continue consultations on the appropriateness of convening a United Nations conference for the comprehensive consideration and review of the problems of refugees, returnees, displaced persons and migrants, bearing in mind the results of the regional conference referred to in paragraph 2 above and the need to ensure coordination with other related initiatives, notably those emanating from the International Conference on Population and Development;
5. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session a report on the results of the action taken in accordance with paragraph 2 and on the consultations undertaken in accordance with paragraph 4 of the present resolution.
